--- "Series of 1880-81" - TOBACCO - Hamilton Division - 3rd BABN Contract (1878-1886) ---

--- With *W. H. Entry No. ..... / C. G. Fortier* **in the central panel - 238 x 20 mm ---**

Chris Ryan reports that *C. G. Fortier* replaced *William Patton* as Collector at Hamilton on July 1st 1879.

John McKay records that 723,920 *lithographed* copies of 1/4 "Red Tobacco" were 'Delivered' under the **3rd BABN Contract** (1878-1886). He has grouped the Division Open and the Division Specific stamps.

McKay further records that 488,675 *lithographed* copies of 1/4 lb. "Red Ribbon Tobacco" were 'Delivered' under the second TOBACCO section of the **4th BABN Contract** (1886-1892) This second section was reserved for *obsolete* BABN production 'Delivered' to the Department in February / March 1888. As of July 1st 1883, all red warehousing strips have been declared *obsolete*.

3rd BABN Contract (1878-1886) -	723,920
4th BABN Contract (1886-1892) -	488,675
	1,212,595

The final 'upper-limit' control number on the one-quarter pound red TOBACCO strips - as collected to date

Division Open	**012062**
Hamilton Division	**630363**
Montreal Division	**090166**
Montreal Division - M 32	**042829**
Quebec Division	**010908**
Quebec Division - N 32	**040920**
Toronto Division - C 32	**035664**
Windsor Division	**280336**
	1,143,248

The catalogue lists the 1/4th pound, red, Hamilton Division, TOBACCO warehousing strip as follows:

RP-173 - 1/4th pound, red, perforated 12, Hamilton Division, on *block wmkd* vertical mesh wove - 4 mm. blue controls
RP-173a - 1/4th pound, red, perforated 12, Hamilton Division, on *unwmkd* horizontal mesh wove - 4 mm. blue controls

The collection ***does not contain*** a copy of **RP-173an** - the *control-free* perforated 1/4th pound Hamilton Division strip lithographed in red ink on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove. **WANTED!**

RP-173 - 1/4th pound, red, perforated 12, Hamilton Division,
Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove paper, the center portion only,
with *W. H. Entry No. 1059*, used by Licensee No. *1*
[to see the watermark, the advertising paper for **NAVY PLUG** was removed from the back of the strip]

--- RP-173 - *perforated 12* - on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove - 4 mm. blue controls - scanned at 67% scale ---

RP-173n - 1/4th pound, red, perforated 12, Hamilton Division, *without* control numbering,
Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove paper

--- RP-173a - *perforated 12* - on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove - 4 mm. blue controls - scanned at 67% scale ---

RP-173a - 1/4th pound, red, perforated 12, Hamilton Division, control number **238951**,
Lithographed on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove paper, W. H. Entry No. **6434**

[The red 1/8th pound "blank panel" strip **RP-164** has a similar **Hamilton** / **6960** cancellation]

RP-173a - 1/4th pound, red, perforated 12, Hamilton Division, control number **513846**,
Lithographed on *unwatermarked* horizontal mesh wove paper,
Stamped **CANCELLED** in 3 mm. violet Gothic letters - a suspect CP strip

238951★	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh, by Licensee # **1**, W. H. Entry No. **6434**
238955	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh, by Licensee # **1**, W. H. Entry No. **6434**
338117	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
338118	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
338121	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
338158	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
339009	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
339011	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
339016-20	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
339023	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
339032	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
339050	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
385247	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
461767	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
461784	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
462203	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
462204	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
462234★	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
513671	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
513675	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
513701	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
513773	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
513846★	RP-173a CP	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh - suspect
513852	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
513855	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
623441	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh

623449★	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
623459	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624813	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624820	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624826	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624831	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624859	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624864	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624911-20★	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh - a sheet of ten
624938	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624940	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624942	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624944★	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624950	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624954	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624955	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624962★	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624964	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624966	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624968★	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624970	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624979	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624984	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
624988	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
625020	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
625038	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
625039	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
630014	RP-173a CP	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh - suspect
630016	RP-173a CP	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh - suspect
630036	RP-173a CP	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh - suspect
630041	RP-173a CP	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh - suspect
630043	RP-173a CP	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh - suspect
630332	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
630334-38	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
630355	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
630363	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh
630393	RP-173a	1/4th pound, perforated 12, unwatermarked horizontal mesh

Question: Since the year was not required on these Warehouse stamps, was the *W.H. Entry No.* a continuous unending sequence, or would the Collector re-start the Entry number at ***0001*** with the beginning of each fiscal year? I would presume that it re-started with the new fiscal year.

The following *imperforate* strip is a remnant, probably residue from the second TOBACCO section of the **4th BABN Contract**. It has been scissor-clipped from an unfinished imperforate sheet. Since it was not a production item, I feel that it is preferable to simply list it without a separate catalogue number.

1/4th pound, red, *imperforate*, Hamilton Division, *without* control numbering,
Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove paper

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